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SUBJECT: USITC INVESTIGATION OF TELEVISION RECEIVERS FROM
JAPAN -

1. THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION ON MARCH 26,
1976, ORDERED A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION UNDER SECTION 603
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OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 INTO POSSIBLE UNFAIR METHODS OF

COMPETITION AND UNFAIR ACTS IN THE IMPORTATION INTO THE UNITED STATES OF TELEVISION RECEIVERS FROM JAPAN. THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE COMMISSION'S NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION ISSUED APRIL 2, 1976: BEGIN TEXT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 603 OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 (19 U.S.C. SEC. 2482), ON MARCH 26, 1976, ORDERED A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO INSTITUTE AN INVESTIGATION UNDER SECTION 337 OF THE TARIFF ACT OF 1930, AS AMENDED (19 U.S.C. SEC. 1337), WITH RESPECT TO THE IMPORTATION OF TELEVISION RECEIVERS INTO THE UNITED STATES, OR THEIR SALE, IN WHICH THERE MAY EXIST UNFAIR METHODS OF COMPETITION AND UNFAIR ACTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

(1) A COMBINATION OR CONSPIRACY TO RESTRAIN TRADE AND COMMERCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

(2) A CONSPIRACY TO MONOPOLIZE OR ATTEMPT TO MONOPOLIZE TRADE AND COMMERCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

(3) A COMBINATION, CONSPIRACY, TRUST, OR CONTRACT IN RESTRAINT OF THE IMPORT TRADE AND COMMERCE OF THE UNITED STATES.

(4) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO IMPORT OR SELL TELEVISION RECEIVERS IN THE UNITED STATES AT PRICES SUBSTANTIALLY LESS THAN THE ACTUAL MARKET VALUE OR WHOLESALE PRICES IN JAPAN OR IN OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES TO WHICH JAPAN COMMONLY EXPORTS, WITH THE INTENT OF DESTROYING OR INJURING AN INDUSTRY IN THE UNITED STATES.

(5) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO IMPORT OR SELL TELEVISION RECEIVERS IN THE UNITED STATES AT PRICES SUBSTANTIALLY LESS THAN THE ACTUAL MARKET VALUE OR WHOLESALE PRICES IN JAPAN OR IN OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES TO WHICH JAPAN COMMONLY EXPORTS, WITH THE INTENT OF RESTRAINING OR MONOPOLIZING ANY PART OF THE TRADE AND COMMERCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

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(6) A CONCERTED SCHEME TO FIX AND MAINTAIN ARTIFICIAL PRICES OF ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS IN JAPAN.

(7) A CONCERTED SCHEME TO FIX AND MAINTAIN ARTIFICIAL PRICES OF TELEVISION RECEIVERS IN THE UNITED STATES.

(8) A DISCRIMINATION IN PRICES OF TELEVISION RECEIVERS

BETWEEN DIFFERENT PURCHASERS HAVING THE EFFECT TO SUBSTANTIALLY LESSEN COMPETITION OR TO TEND TO CREATE A MONOPOLY IN THE UNITED STATES.

(9) A DISCRIMINATION AGAINST U.S. PRODUCERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF TELEVISION RECEIVERS BY UNDERSELLING, SELLING AT AN UNREASONABLY LOW PRICE, REBATING, OR DISCOUNTING, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DESTROYING COMPETITION OR ELIMINATING COMPETITION IN ANY PART OF THE UNITED STATES.

(10) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO FORM JOINT VENTURES AND ACQUIRE DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTROL OF U.S. COMPANIES, HAVING THE EFFECT TO SUBSTANTIALLY LESSEN COMPETITION, OR TO TEND TO CREATE A MONOPOLY, WITH RESPECT TO TELEVISION RECEIVERS.

(11) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO SELL TELEVISION RECEIVERS AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE UNITED STATES.

(12) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO CIRCUMVENT THE ASSESSMENT OF DUMPING DUTIES ON TELEVISION RECEIVERS BY THE ESTABLISHMENT AND UTILIZATION OF FICTITIOUS ACCOUNTING TECHNIQUES AND PRACTICES.

(13) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO SELL TELEVISION RECEIVERS BELOW COST OF PRODUCTION.

(14) A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT TO PAY INTO, ACCEPT, AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OR BESTOWAL OF BOUNTIES OR GRANTS INCLUDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BENEFITS OF THE COMMODITY REBATE TAX.

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